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Ms. Joan Martin Banks (3HS62)
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Dear Ms. Banks,

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 104(E) OF
CERCLA FOR THE SAUER DUMP SITE, DUNDALK (BALTIMORE
COUNTY), MARYLAND

I am writing on behalf of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command Washington (NAVFAC Washington) in response to your request for information and documents related to the Sauer Dump Site pursuant to Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act. I have attached responses to the questions set forth in the Information Request submitted with your letter, dated April 2, 2012.

The Navy conducted an extensive search for documents and information in order to respond to your questions. However, the Navy did not locate any documents or information responsive to those questions. It is possible that responsive documents exist in one of the National Archives, but any such records are no longer within the Navy's custody and control. See 44 U.S.C. § 2903. Moreover, information about the materials held by those facilities is as available to the general public as it is to the Navy. For these reasons, the Navy has not conducted any searches in any of those facilities.

If you have any questions concerning this response, please contact Mr. Stephen Bacon at stephen.l.bacon@navy.mil or (202) 685-6973.

Sincerely,

THOMAS P. LEWIS

Environmental Program Director
By direction

1. What is the current nature of your activity? What was the nature of your activity during the period 1960 to 1990? Please describe in detail if the nature of your activity changed from the period 1960 to 1990. Please provide a detailed explanation of the changes to date.

Response: The Navy does not currently conduct activities at locations known as the U.S. Naval Yard, Baltimore, Maryland, the U.S. Naval Training Center, Bainbridge, Port Deposit, Maryland, and the U.S. Naval Training Center, Fort Holabird, Baltimore, Maryland. The Navy conducted various training activities at the U.S. Naval Training Center, Bainbridge, Port Deposit, Maryland from in or around 1942 until in or around 1976. The Navy did not locate documents indicating that it conducted activities at locations known as the U.S. Naval Yard, Baltimore or the U.S. Naval Training Center, Fort Holabird from 1960 to 1990. Further, after reasonable inquiry, the Navy does not believe that locations known as the "U.S. Naval Yard, Baltimore, Maryland" or the "U.S. Naval Training Center, Fort Holabird" existed during the relevant time period.

2. EPA has obtained information during the course of its investigation indicating that you may have produced waste at the Baltimore Navy Yard and at the Bainbridge and Fort Holabird Training Centers, which was disposed of at the Site, and/or disposed of waste at the Site referenced in this letter. Please provide the following information regarding all wastes and by-products produced by you during the period 1960 to 1990:

Response: The Navy did not locate documents indicating that it produced "waste" which was disposed of at the Site.

a. The nature of each "waste" (as the term "waste" is defined in paragraph 6 of the definitions attached hereto) used including its chemical content, characteristics and physical state (i.e., liquid, solid, gas, or in the form of contaminated rags, cups, containers). Provide chemical analyses and Material Safety Data Sheets ("MSDS"). If these analyses are not available for the period 1960 through 1990, submit analyses for the time period closest to these dates and describe, in detail, any changes in the process (es) in which these wastes were produced that would affect the chemical analyses;

Response: N/A.

b. The annual quantity of each "waste" used or generated;

Response: N/A.

c. The process (es) in which each "waste" was used or the process (es) that generated each;

Response: N/A.

d. The types of containers used to treat, store or dispose of each "waste"; and

Response: N/A.

- e. The method of treatment and/or disposal of each "waste."

Response: N/A.

3. Provide the names, titles, areas of responsibility, addresses and telephone numbers of all personnel during the period of 1960 to 1990 who may have:

- a. Disposed of or treated "waste" at the Site;

Response: The Navy did not locate personnel who may have disposed of "waste" at the Site during the period of 1960 to 1990.

- b. Arranged for the disposal or treatment of "waste" at the Site; and

Response: The Navy did not locate personnel who may have arranged for the disposal of "waste" at the Site during the period of 1960 to 1990.

- c. Arranged for the transportation of "waste" to the Site (either directly or through transshipment points) for disposal or treatment.

Response: The Navy did not locate personnel who may have arranged for the transportation of "waste" to the Site during the period of 1960 to 1990.

4. Describe the methods used by you to dispose and/or treat "waste" during the period 1960 to 1990.

Response: The Navy did not locate documents describing the methods it used to dispose and/or treat "waste" during the period 1960 to 1990.

5. If your response to Question 4 includes the contracting of a hauler or transporter to transport and/or dispose of wastes, explain the arrangements for those transactions and provide documentation that confirms the nature of those transactions.

Response: The Navy did not locate documents describing contracts or arrangements with haulers or transporters to transport and/or dispose of "wastes" at the Site.

6. Did your activity make arrangements with any of the following companies: Robb Tyler, Inc., Herb Robertson, Browning-Ferris, Lawrence Jendras, Modern Trash, Modern, Inc., North Point Trash Removal, Warren Parker Hauling, Refuse Disposal Inc., F.P.R. Bohager Company, Donald Siejack, Henry Siejack, Debris Disposal, Cross Efficient Trash Removal Service, Inc., F.A. Sauer & Son, and Modern Trash Removal, Inc. to transport and/or dispose of wastes?

Response: The Navy did not locate documents indicating that it made arrangements to transport and/or dispose of "wastes" with any of the companies referenced in question six.

If so, identify:

- a. The persons with whom you, or such other persons, made such arrangements;

Response: N/A.

- b. Every date on which such arrangements took place;

Response: N/A.

- c. For each transaction, the nature and quantity of the "waste" including the chemical content, characteristics, physical state (i.e., liquid, solid), and the process for which the substance was used or the process that generated the substance;

Response: N/A.

- d. Precise locations at which each "waste" was disposed or treated;

Response: N/A.

- e. The persons who selected the Site as the place at which "waste" was disposed or treated;

Response: N/A.

- f. The final disposition of each of the "wastes" involved in such transactions; and

Response: N/A.

- g. The names of employees, officers, owners and agents for each transporter.

Response: N/A.

7. For each and every instance in which your activity arranged for disposal or treatment of "waste" at the Site identify:

Response: The Navy did not locate documents indicating that it arranged for the disposal or treatment of "waste" at the Site.

- a. The characteristics, physical state (i.e., liquid, solid) and chemical composition of each "waste";

Response: N/A.

- b. The persons who supplied you with "waste" material disposed or otherwise handled by you;

Response: N/A.

- c. How such "wastes" were used, treated, transported, disposed or otherwise handled by you;

Response: N/A.

- d. When and where such "wastes" were used, treated, transported, disposed or otherwise handled by you;

Response: N/A.

- e. The quantity (number of loads, gallons, drums) of the "wastes" which were used, treated, transported, disposed or otherwise handled by you; and

Response: N/A.

- f. Any billing information and documents (invoices, trip tickets, manifests) in your possession regarding arrangements made with your activity to generate, treat, store, transport or dispose of "wastes" at the Site.

Response: N/A.

8. Provide the names, titles and areas of responsibility of any persons, including all present and former employees, who may be knowledgeable of your waste disposal practices, whether or not involving disposal at the Site, during the period 1960 to 1990. Include current addresses and dates of birth for former employees.

Response: The Navy did not locate any individuals who may be knowledgeable about waste disposal practices at the Site during the period 1960 to 1990.

9. Describe any permits or applications and any correspondence between you and any regulatory agencies regarding "wastes" transported to or disposed of at the Site.

Response: The Navy did not locate any permits, applications, or correspondence between it and any of the regulatory agencies regarding "wastes" transported to or disposed of at the Site.

10. Provide copies of any correspondence between you and any third party regarding "wastes" transported to or disposed of at the Site.

Response: N/A.

Provide the names, titles and areas of responsibility of any persons, including all present and former employees, who may be knowledgeable of your waste disposal practices, whether or not involving disposal at the Site, during the period 1960 to 1990. Include current addresses and dates of birth for former employees.

Response: The Navy did not locate any correspondence between it and any third party regarding "wastes" transported to or disposed of at the Site.

11. Provide the identity of, and copies of any documents relating to, any other person who generated, treated, stored, transported or disposed, or who arranged for the treatment, storage, disposal or transportation of such "wastes" to the Site.

Response: The Navy did not locate documents relating to any person who generated, treated, stored, transported or disposed, or who arranged for the treatment, storage, disposal or transportation of "wastes" to the Site.

12. Provide the name, title, address, and telephone number of the person answering these questions on behalf of the respondent.

Response:

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13. For each question, provide the name, title, area of responsibility, current address and telephone number of all persons consulted in the preparation of the answers.

Response: The Navy consulted the following individuals in order to respond to all of the questions submitted:

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Response: The Navy consulted the following individuals in order to respond to all of the questions submitted:

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14. If you have reason to believe that there may be persons able to provide more detailed or complete responses to any question contained herein or who may be able to provide additional responsive documents, provide the names, titles, areas of responsibility, current addresses, and telephone numbers of such persons and describe the additional information or documents they may have.

Response: To the extent your questions relate to activities conducted at Fort Holabird, you may wish to direct your questions to the U.S. Army. The Navy is not aware of any other persons or entities that may be able to provide the information and documents requested.

15. For each and every question contained herein, if information or documents responsive to this Information Request are not in your possession, custody or control, then provide the names, titles, areas of responsibility, current addresses and telephone numbers of the persons from whom such information or documents may be obtained.

Response: The Navy is not aware of any other individuals who may have information or documents responsive to this Information Request. As noted in the cover letter attached to this response, the National Archives may have custody and control over documents that are responsive to this Information Request.

16. If you have any information about other parties who may have information which may assist the Agency in its investigation of the Site or who may be responsible for the generation of, transportation to or release of contamination at the Site, please provide such information. The information you provide in response to this request should include each party's name, address, type of business and the reasons why you believe the party may have contributed to the contamination at the Site or may have information regarding the Site.

Response: The Navy does not have any information about other parties who may have information which may assist the Agency in its investigation of the Site or who may be responsible for the generation of, transportation to or release of contamination at the Site.

The Navy is not aware of any other individuals who may have information or documents responsive to this Information Request. As noted in the cover letter attached to this response, the National Archives may have custody and control over documents that are responsive to this Information Request.

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Response: The Navy does not have any information about other parties who may have